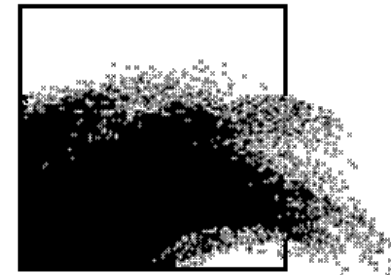
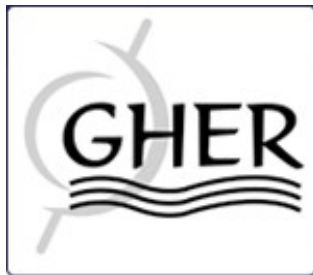


Derivation of high resolution TSM data by merging geostationary and polar-orbiting satellite data in the North Sea.

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Objectives

Context

- Need for high resolution ocean colour data
 - In space: complex coastlines, small-scale variability
 - In time: effect of tides and winds in shallow areas
- Polar satellites: high spatial resolution, low temporal resolution
- Geostationary satellites: low spatial resolution, high temporal resolution

Objective: to develop a methodology that allows to merge both sources of information

Most approaches use a parameterized error covariance matrix

Problem: error covariance matrix is very difficult to estimate (specially for colour-related variables)

To overcome this difficulty, the error covariance matrix is expressed using a truncated spatial EOF basis calculated by analysing MODIS data using DINEOF.

DINEOF (Data Interpolating Empirical Orthogonal Functions)

Technique to **fill in missing data** in geophysical data sets, based on a EOF decomposition

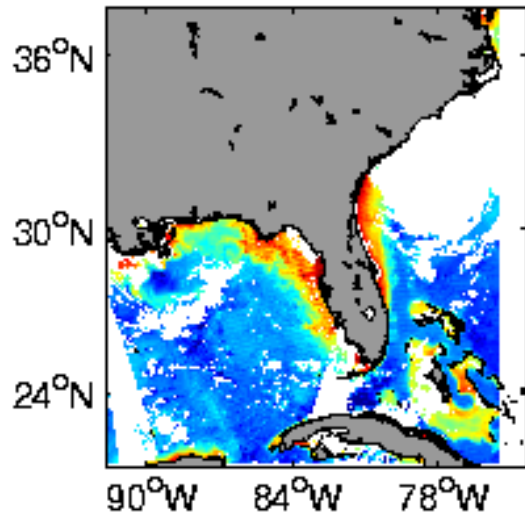
- Truncated EOF basis to calculate missing data (iterative method)
 - EOFs extract main patterns of variability
 - Reduced noise
- Optimal number of EOFs?: reconstruction error by cross-validation
- Uses EOF basis to infer missing data: **non-parametric**
- No need of a priori information (correlation length, covariance function...)
- Spatio-temporal coherence exploited to calculate missing values

Additional features:

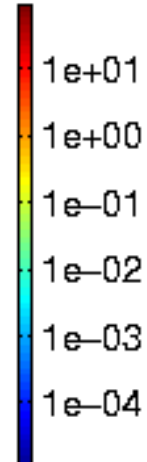
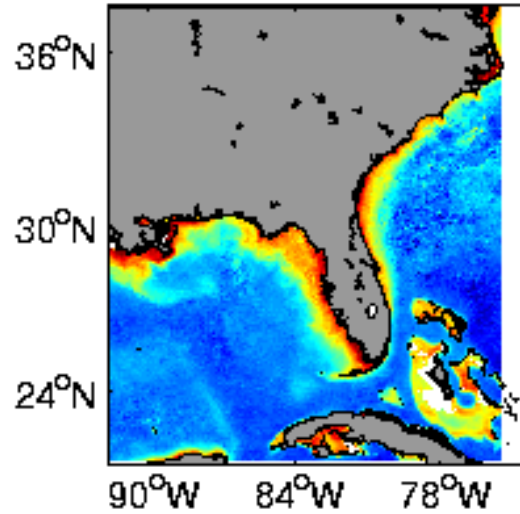
- **Multivariate analyses** using extended EOFs
- **Error maps:** based on an OI approach
 - background covariance : EOF basis from DINEOF
 - observational error variance: rejected variance (truncated EOF series)
- **Temporal covariance matrix filter:** improves temporal coherence of reconstruction.
- **Outlier detection using spatial coherence**

DINEOF reconstruction: examples

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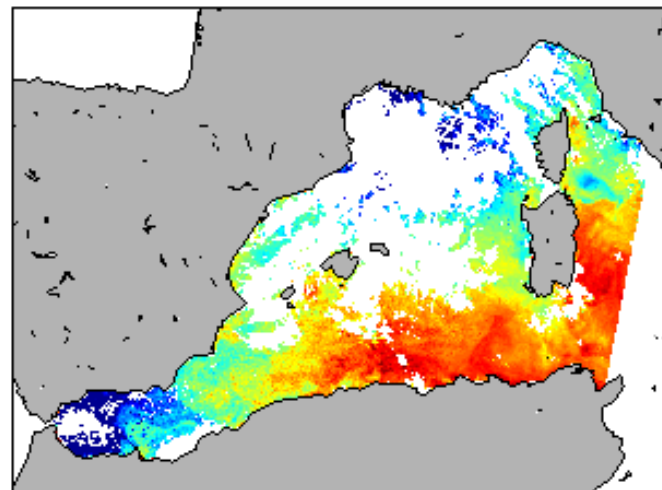


DINEOF CHL



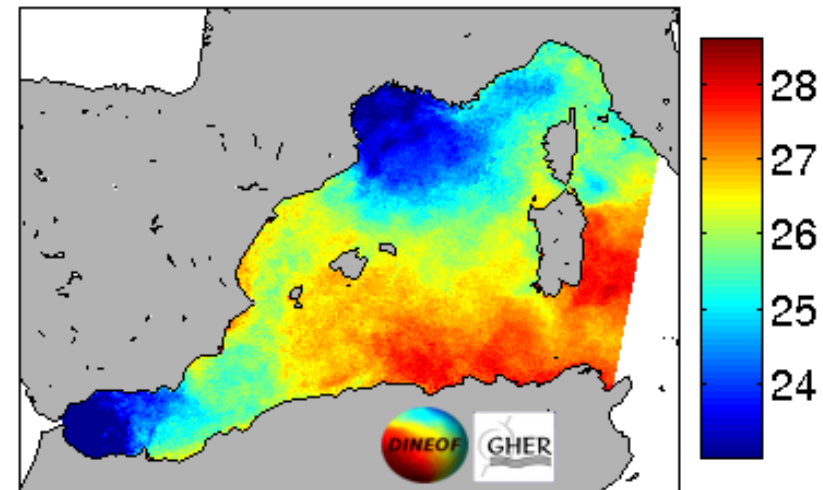
Mississippi river plume
advected by Loop Current

Original data



Near-real time
SST in the
Mediterranean
Sea

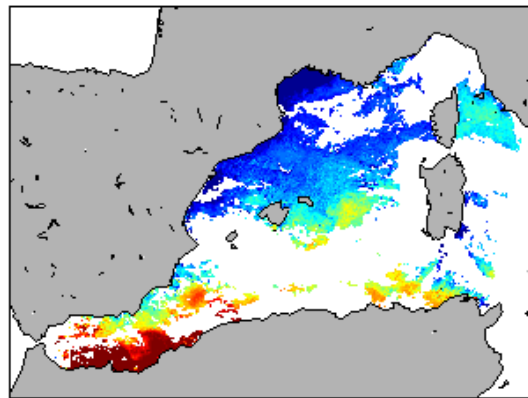
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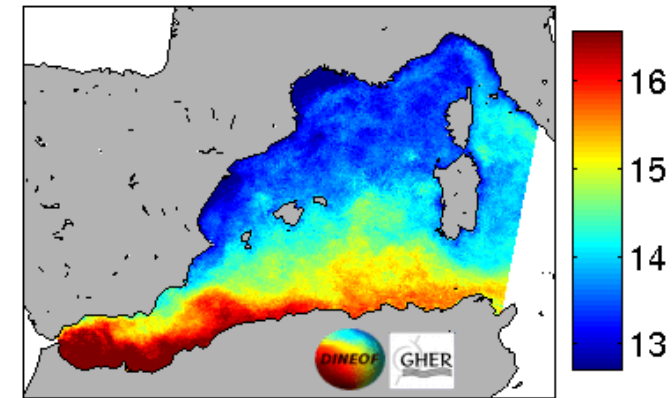
Merging data using DINEOF

1) DINEOF applied to polar-orbiting data set

Original data

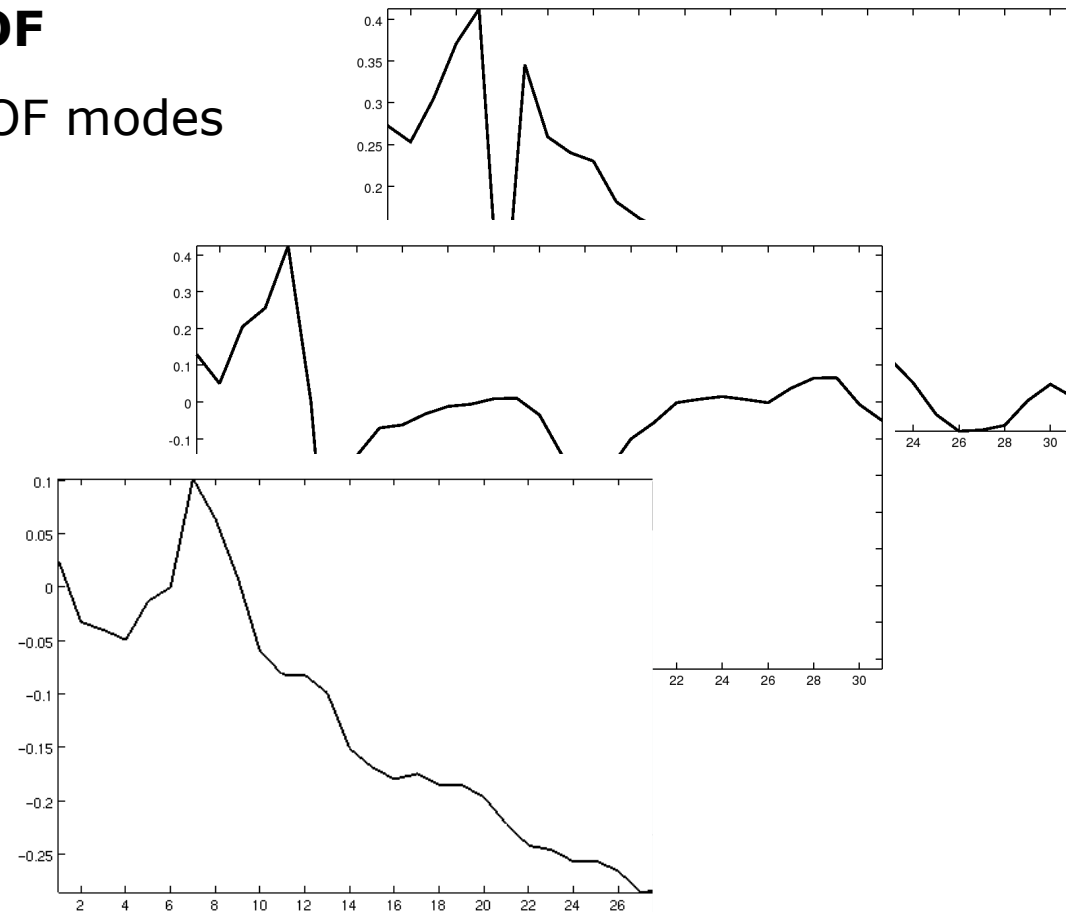
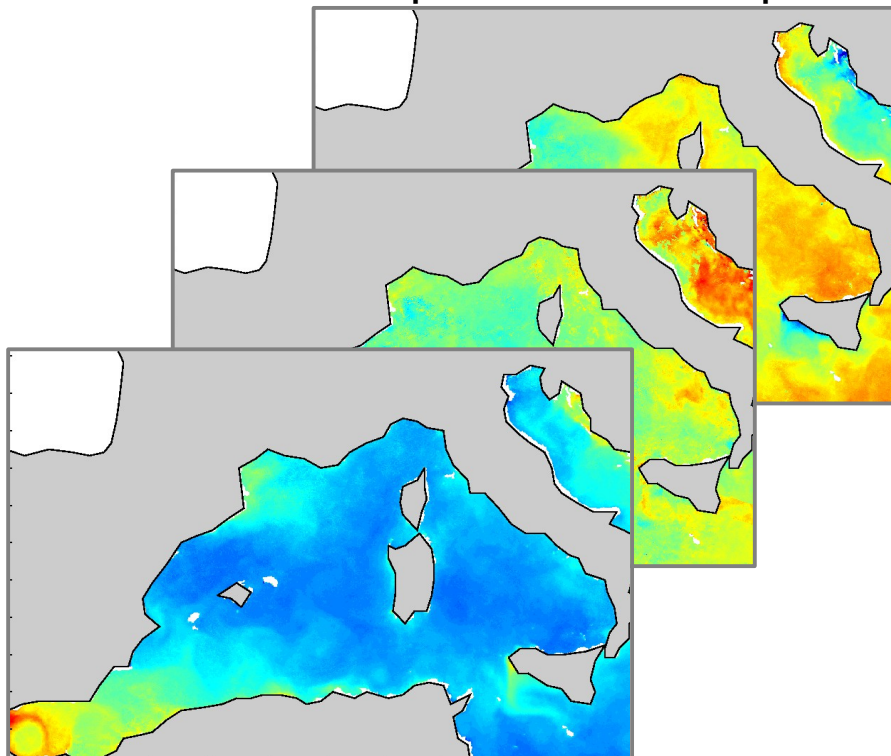


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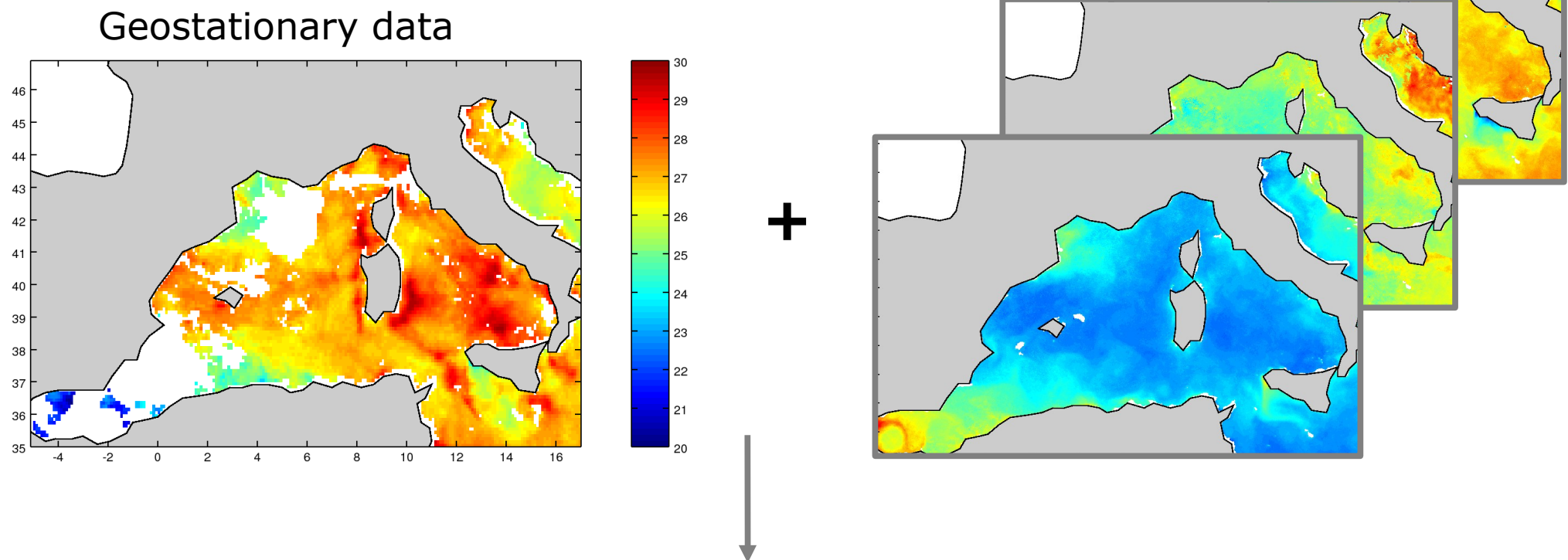
↓ **DINEOF**

Spatial and temporal EOF modes



HiSea: DINEOF merging capabilities

2) EOF basis (at high spatial resolution) used to reconstruct geostationary data (using an OI approach)



- Merged data set (polar + geostationary)
- Spatial resolution from polar data ($\sim 2\text{km}$)
- Temporal resolution from geostationary data ($\sim 15\text{ min}$)

The analysis is based on the formalism of optimal interpolation (OI) but the **crucial difference is that the error covariance is not parametrized a priori using an analytical expression, but expressed using the spatial EOFs.**

DINEOF + OI

Two-step process:

- DINEOF on polar satellite data (MODIS)
- Optimal Interpolation to merge polar and geostationary data (SEVIRI)

Truncated EOF basis given by DINEOF used as covariance matrix (**P**).

The spatial EOFs are scaled:

$$U_s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(n)}} U \Sigma$$

Error covariance obtained from single sensor error statistics (SESS)

The formula used for the analysis step is equivalent to Optimal Interpolation:

$$\mathbf{x}_a = \mathbf{x}_b + \mathbf{P} \mathbf{H}^T (\mathbf{H} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{H}^T + \mathbf{R})^{-1} (\mathbf{y}_o - \mathbf{H} \mathbf{x}_b)$$

\mathbf{x}_a : analysis

\mathbf{x}_b : background field

\mathbf{y}_o are the data being analysed

\mathbf{H} : an operator to extract the data at the observations location.

\mathbf{P} : error covariance of background

\mathbf{R} : error covariance of observations

SEVIRI + MODIS data

Polar-orbiting data:

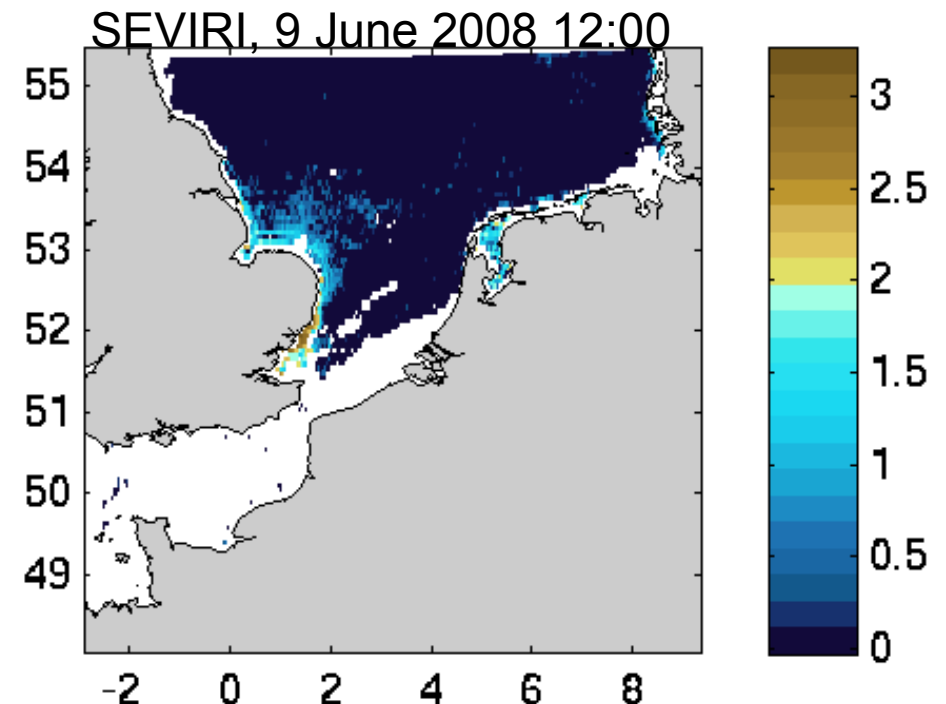
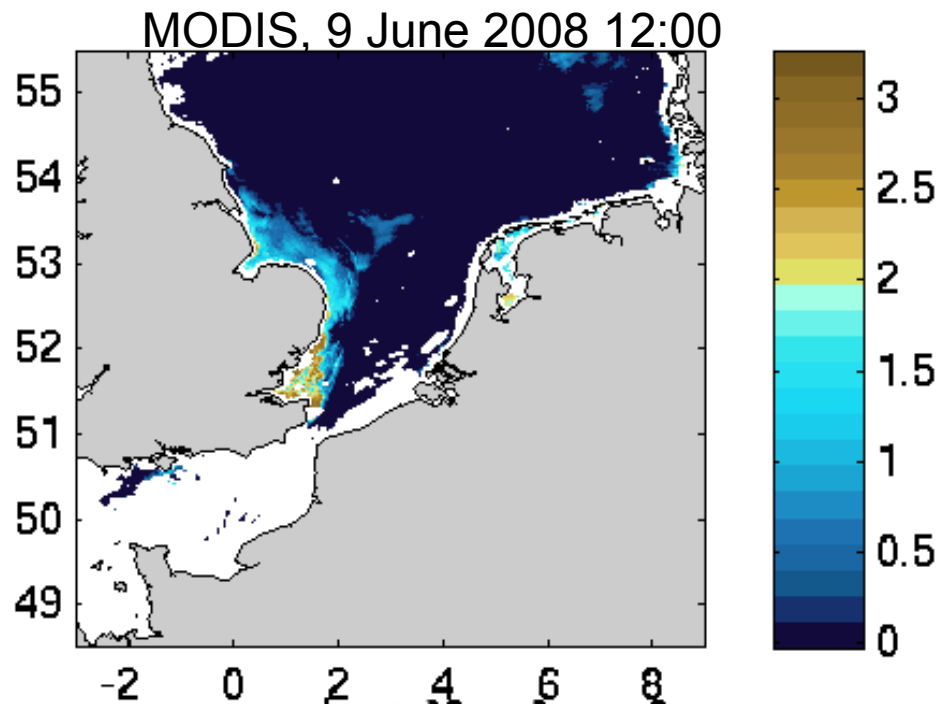
- MODIS
- ~ 2km spatial resolution
- 1 composite image per day

Geostationary data:

- SEVIRI
- ~ 6km spatial resolution
- 15 min temporal resolution

Domain: North Sea

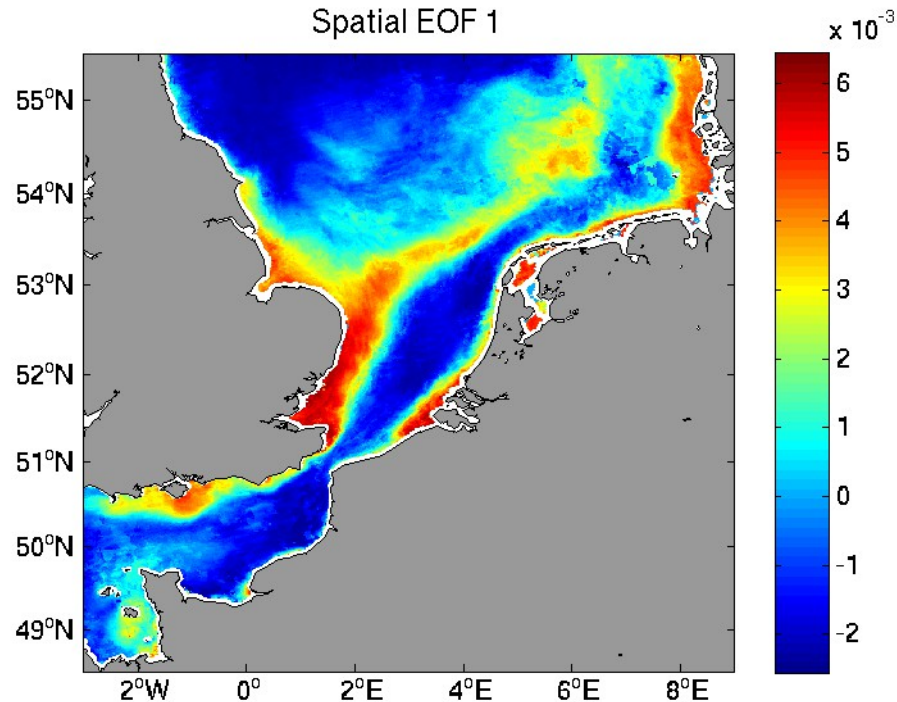
Period: January to March 2008



DINEOF analysis: EOF basis

37 EOFs retained, 99.8% of the total variance
Representative of January to March 2008

Spatial EOF 1



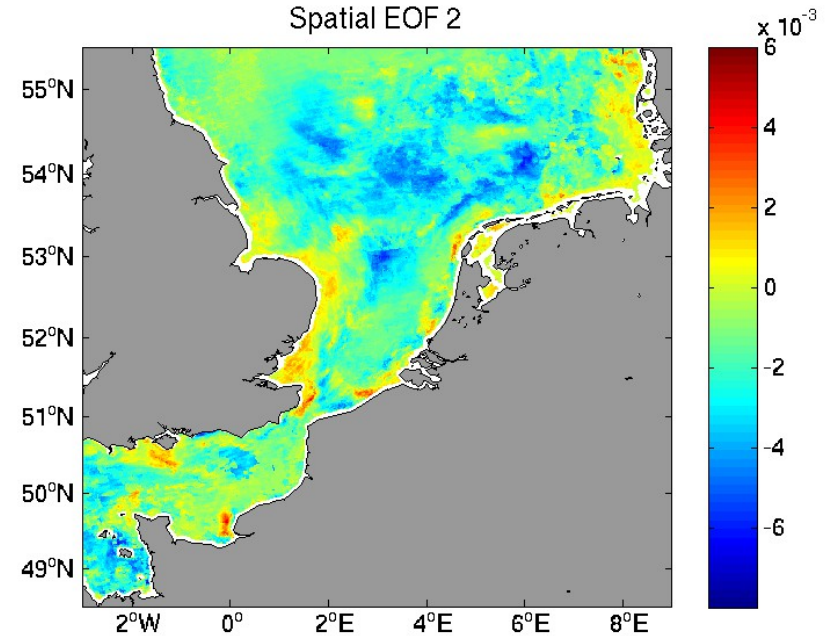
EOF 1: 85% of variability

EOF 2: 4.35% of variability

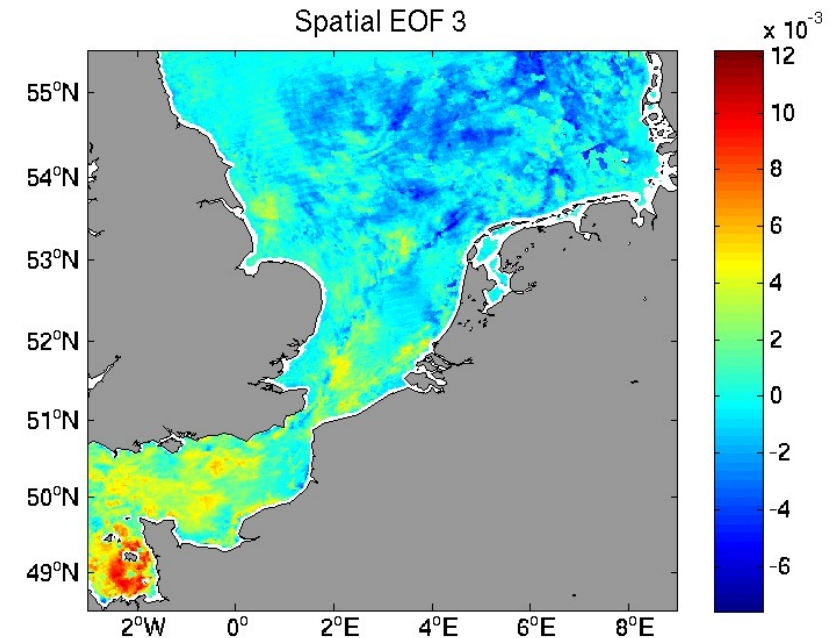
EOF 3: 2.61% of variability

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Spatial EOF 2



Spatial EOF 3

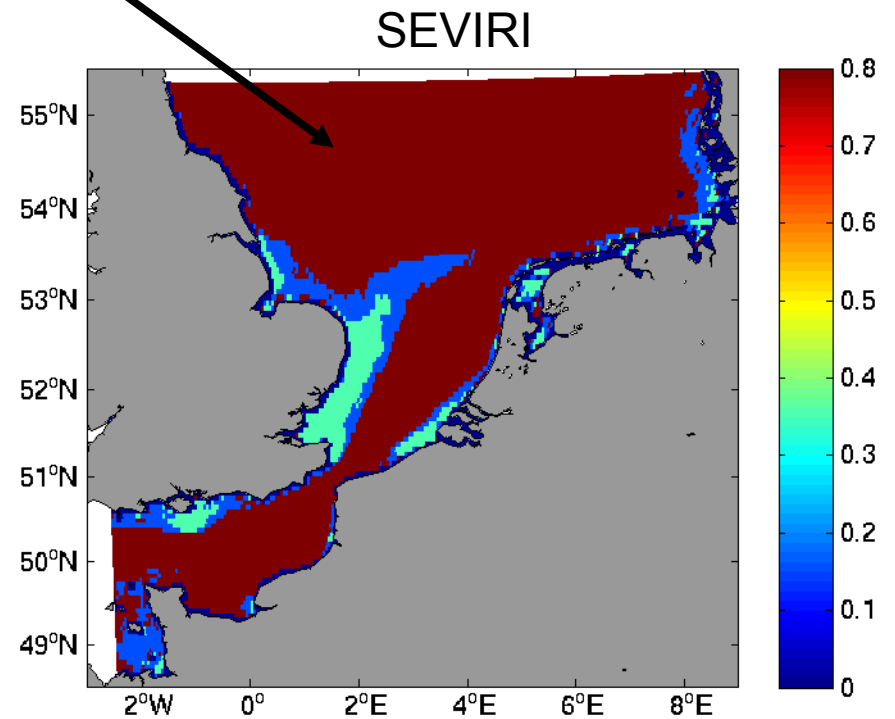
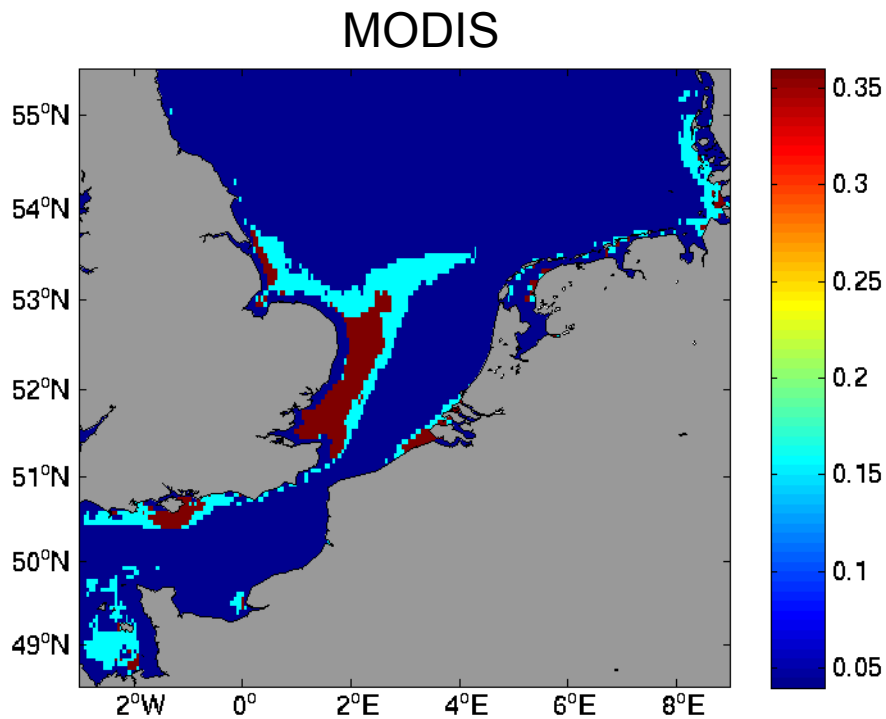


Error variance

Magnitude based on comparisons with in situ data

Spatial distribution based on average fields

SEVIRI low concentration waters penalized

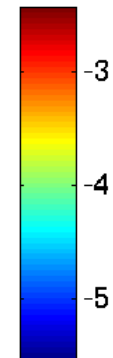


Units : $\log(\text{radiance})$

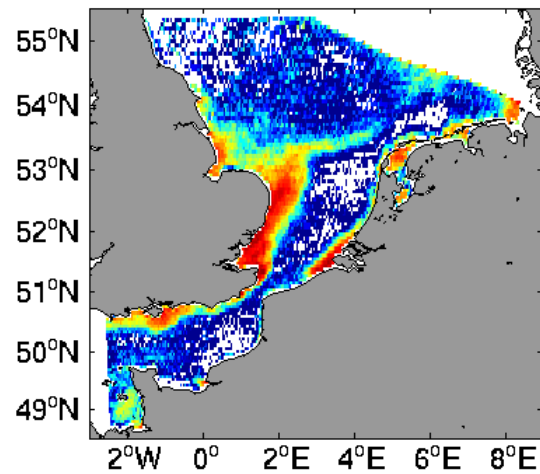
Results

Example for 11 February 2008

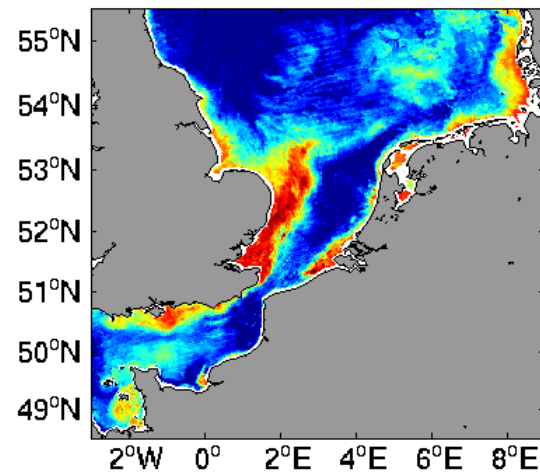
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SEVIRI

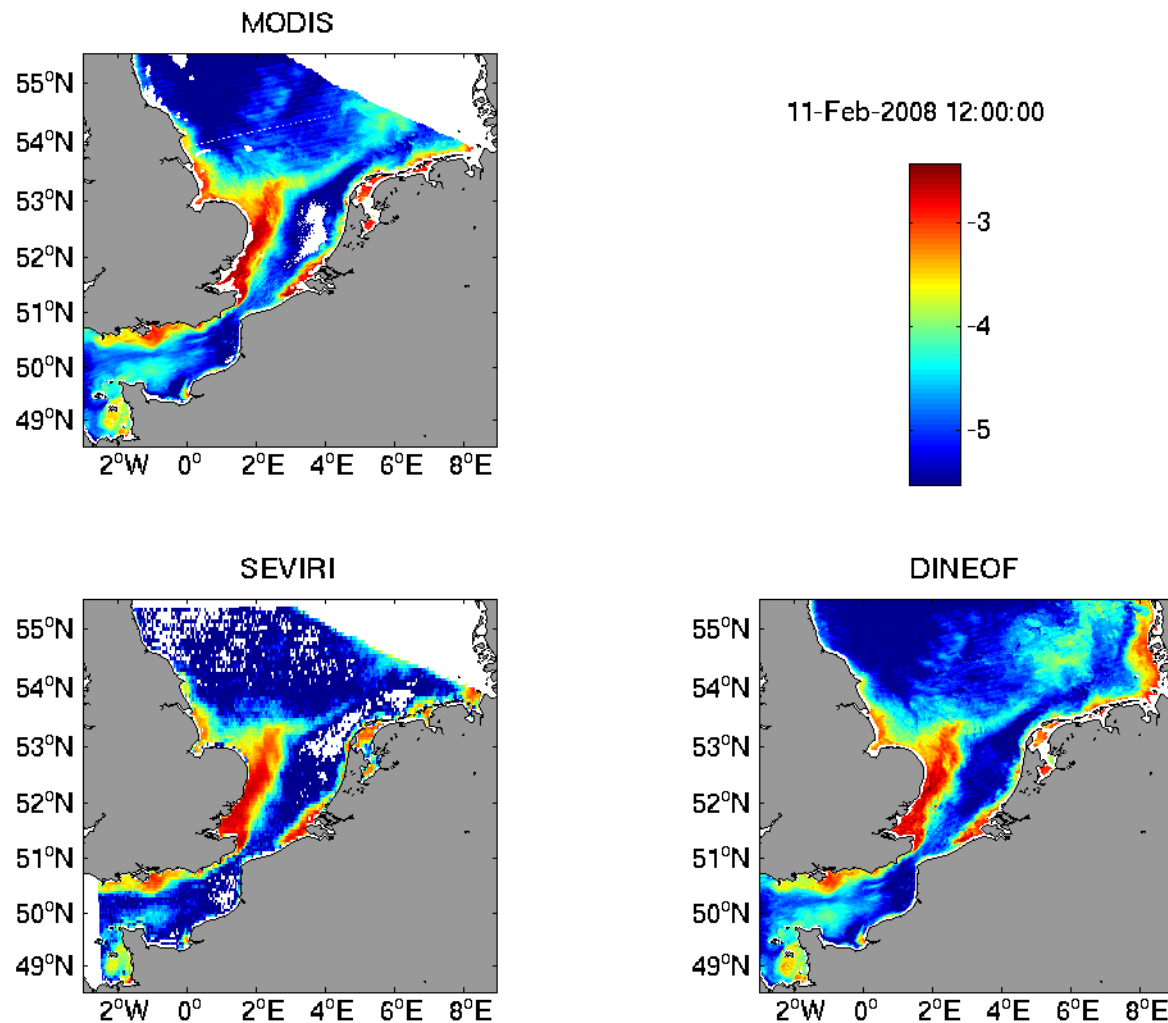


DINEOF



Units : log(radiance)

Results: snapshot



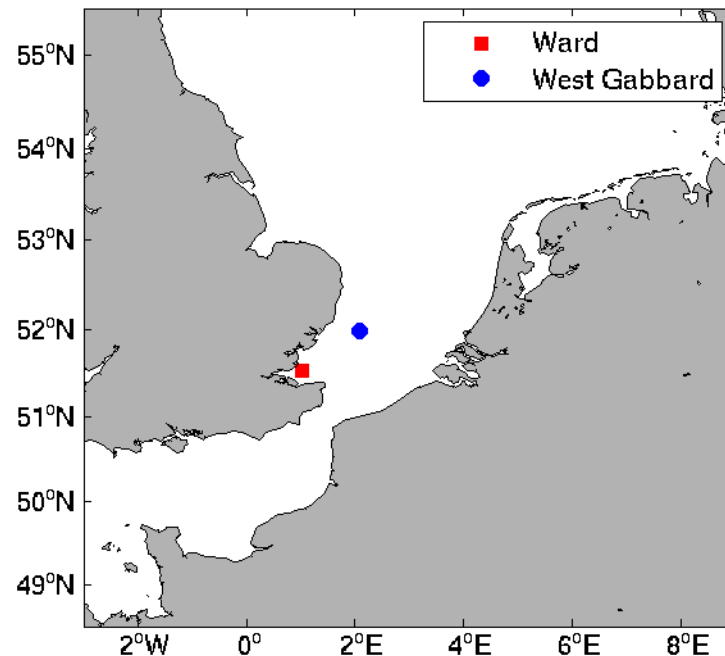
Noise removed

High temporal resolution from SEVIRI retained

Small scale features from MODIS

Units : log(radiance)

Validation with in situ data



From Cefas (Centre for Environment, Fisheries & Aquaculture Science, UK)

Located in shallow water (<35m)

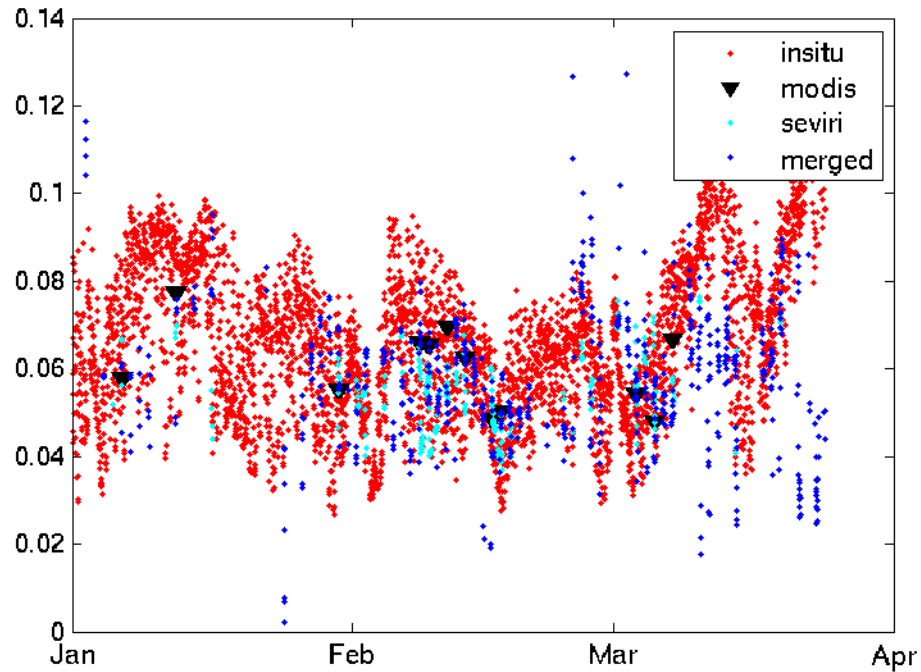
Highly turbid waters

Units : log(radiance)

	Ward	West Gabbard
	RMS	RMS
MODIS	0.27	0.32
SEVIRI	0.25	0.3
DINEOF-OI	0.35	0.77
DINEOF-OI at MODIS time step	0.23	0.5

Time series

Warp

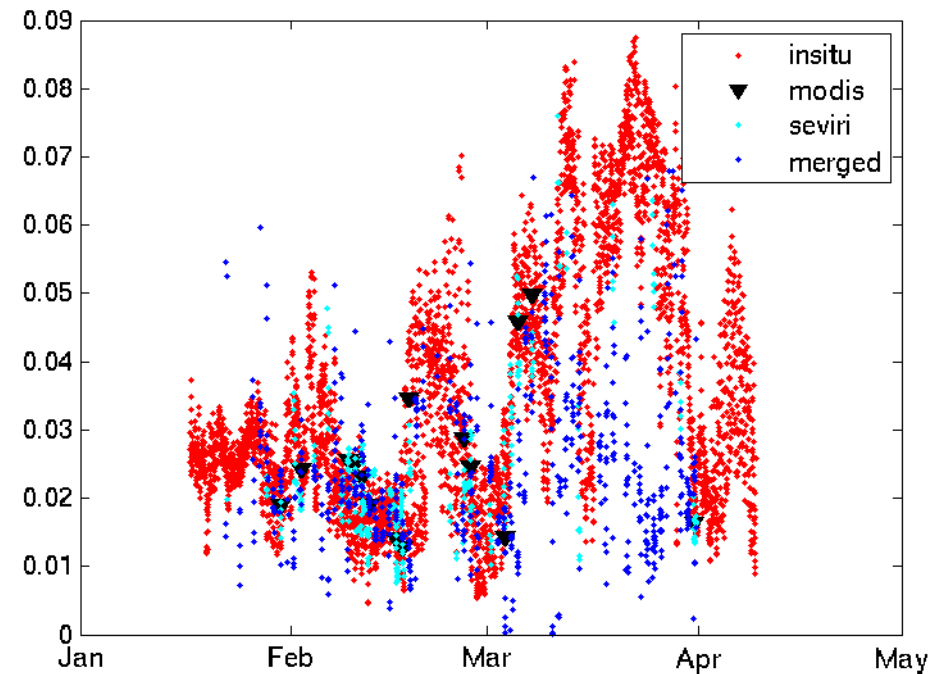


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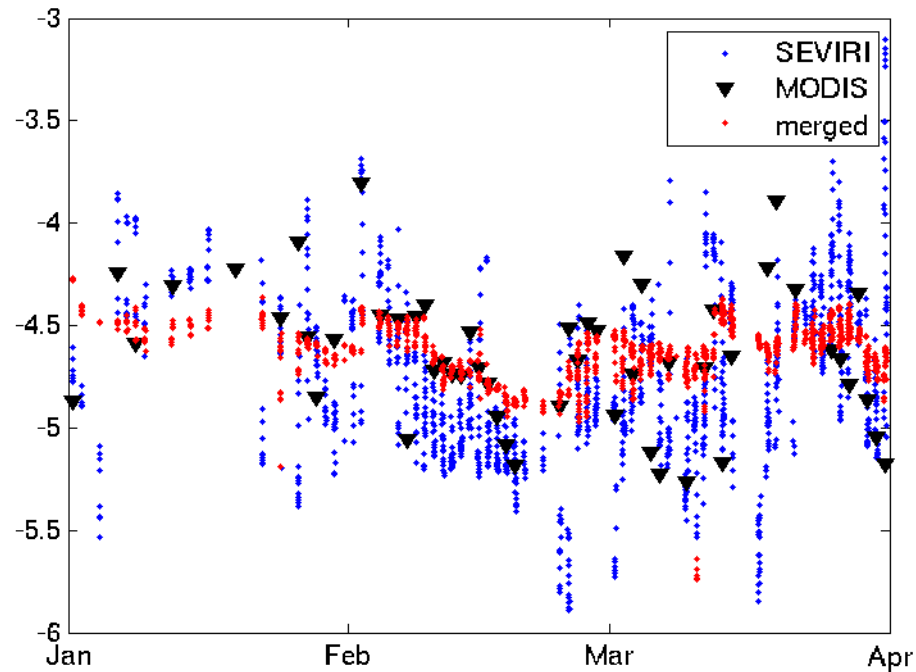
In situ variability much higher

Decrease in performance in March,
presumably from source data

West Gabbard



Average time series



Variability of merged product needs to be increased: satellite data error variance too high?

Agreement of all records in March: difference with in situ data?

Conclusions

A technique to merge satellite data from different sources has been developed

- Realistic covariance matrix from truncated EOF basis

- Error variance estimated by comparing satellite data with in situ data

- Merging step based on OI formalism

- Merged data retain high temporal and spatial resolution

Application to colour data in the North Sea: January to March 2008

Results show that small scale features are retained in the reconstruction

However, merged result shows lower variability than satellite or in situ data: error variance might be too high

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DINEOF code available at <http://modb.oce.ulg.ac.be/DINEOF>